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SUB: NKRUMAH FAMILY RETURNING TO GHANA

1. PRESS REPORTS INDICATE THAT WIDOW OF KWAME NKRUMAH, GHANA'S FIRST PRESIDENT HAS ACCEPTED GOG INVITATION TO RETURN TO GHANA AS PERMANENT RESIDENT. MADAME FATHIA NKRUMAH, AN EGYPTIAN BY BIRTH, HAS BEEN RESIDING IN CAIRO APPARENTLY SUPPORTED BY EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT. SHE IS EXPECTED IN ACCRA NEXT WEEK AND WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY HER THREE CHILDREN, GORKEH, SAMIA AND SEKOU.

2. ACTION BY GOG FOLLOWS RECOMMENDATIONS OF CASELY-HAYFORD COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED TO SUGGEST WAYS OF HONORING NKRUMAH'S MEMORY. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT GOG WILL PROVIDE HOUSING
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AND SUPPORT FOR FAMILY AS WELL AS FURNISH EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUN-

TIES FOR THE CHILDREN.

3. PENDING FINAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR HOUSING, THE
NKRUMAH FAMILY WILL BE HOUSED IN THE RESIDENTIAL WING OF THE
KWAME NKRUMAH CONFERENCE CENTER, FORMERLY KNOWN
AS THE STATE HOUSE, ITSELF RECENTLY RENAMED ON
RECOMMENDATION OF THE CASELY-HAYFORD COMMITTEE.

4. MADAMA NKRUMAH'S PUBLIC ROLE, IF ANY, WILL BE INTERESTING
TO WATCH. NRC OBVIOUSLY WANTS TO MILK NKRUMAH REMEMBRANCE
FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH BUT WILL BE CAUTIOUS ABOUT ENCOURAGING TOO
VIVID RECOLLECTIONS OF THE HEADY YEARS OF THE OSAGYEFO.
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